# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
# LOK SABHA

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THREE LANGUAGE FORMULA IN CBSE/ICSE
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the CBSE/ICSE students are examinedat SSC levelis only two languages inspite of the facts that the Government has accepted three language formula;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the time by which this formula is likely to be implemented?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a) to (c): The Central Board of Secondary Education has informedthat the Three Language Formula is implementedin all CBSE affiliated schools. In the secondary school examinations, the Scheme of Studies prescribed bythe CBSE providesfor two languages being examined in the external examinations of the Board. Provision also exists in the Scheme of Studies for offering a third language as an additional subject at the external examinations of the Board. The candidates who qualify in the third language in class VIIIare only eligible to appear in the secondary school examinations unless otherwise exempted.

Similarly, the Council For the Indian School Certificate Examinations has informed that the three language formula is implemented in all I.C.S.E schools as per the requirement upto class VIII. For the I.C.S.E. examination (i.e. class X), two languages are examined.The third language is examined at the end of class VIII, after a study of four years from class V to VIII.